



Parent Consent to Participate in the Study of the Queens Educational Technology Program

Dear Parent,

Your child's school is currently involved in a district-wide program so that teachers can use computers and other technology to help students learn more effectively. ReLearning Curve is collecting information about the program to help determine if it is working and how it can be improved. To do this successfully we need to know how students are using computers over the school year, and information about their academic progress in English Language Arts.

We will be analyzing students' English Language Arts scores by class. No child's name will be attached to the scores. This will not affect your child's academic standing, or participation in school programs or activities in any way.

Students will be asked to complete a brief survey at the beginning and the end of the program about how they use computers during school. This information will be used for our report and to help the schools make technology decisions. It has about 25 questions and should take your child about 15 minutes to complete.

Participation is completely voluntary. Your child will be asked whether he or she wants to take the survey and can either agree or refuse. The survey will be anonymous, meaning that no names will be used on the survey or attached to the forms. There are no penalties if your child does not take this survey.

There are no expected risks to your child by taking this survey. Surveys only include questions about educational experiences, not personal, social, emotional, or home experiences. The expected benefits will be that your child's school will be better able to make choices about instructional technology, providing greater access to students.

Please select one of the options below and return this form to your child's teacher.

Your Child's Name

Teacher's Name/Class Number

☐ **YES, I GIVE PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD TO PARTICIPATE.** *I have read the information above and I give permission for my child to participate in the study of the technology program.*

Signature

Date

☐ **NO, I DO NOT WANT MY CHILD TO PARTICIPATE.** *I have read the information above and I DO NOT give permission for my child to participate in the study of the technology program.*

Signature

If you have any questions you may contact the researchers at ReLearning Curve, Josephine Imbimbo at (646) 330-5951. You may also contact your child's teacher if you have questions about the technology survey.